

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

In re:

iMedia Brands, Inc., *et al.*,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 23-10852 (KBO)

(Jointly Administered)

Ref. Docket No. 246

**ORDER (I) ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR
INTERIM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES
FOR RETAINED PROFESSIONALS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

Upon the *Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Retained Professionals* (the "Motion")² filed by the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"); and upon consideration of the Motion and all pleadings related thereto; and this Court having found that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that venue of these Chapter 11 Cases and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that this matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having determined that it may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and it appearing that notice of the Motion has been given as set forth in the Motion

¹ The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number are: ValueVision Media Acquisitions, Inc. (8670); iMedia Brands, Inc. (3770); ValueVision Interactive, Inc. (8730); Portal Acquisition Company (3403); VVI Fulfillment Center, Inc. (5552); ValueVision Retail Inc. (2155); JWH Acquisition Company (3109); PW Acquisition Company, LLC (0154); EP Properties, LLC (3951); FL Acquisition Company (3026); Norwell Television, LLC (6011); and 867 Grand Avenue, LLC (2642). The Debtors' service address is 6740 Shady Oak Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3433.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning given to them in the Motion.

and that such notice is adequate and no other or further notice need be given; and this Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest; and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The relief requested in the Motion is granted as set forth herein.
2. Except as may otherwise be provided in orders authorizing the retention of specific Professionals, all Professionals in the Chapter 11 Cases may seek monthly compensation in accordance with the following Compensation Procedures:

- a. No earlier than the fourteenth (14th) day of each calendar month following the month for which compensation is sought, each Professional seeking interim allowance of its fees and expenses may file an application (including the relevant time entry and description and expense detail) with the Court pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code for interim allowance of compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred during the preceding month (a "Monthly Fee Application"), and serve a copy of such Monthly Fee Application, by hand or overnight delivery, on the following parties (collectively, the "Notice Parties"): (i) the Debtors, 6740 Shady Oak Road, Eden Prairie, MN 55344-3433 (Attn: Alex Wasserburger (awasserburger@imediabrand.com)); (ii) proposed co-counsel to the Debtors, Ropes & Gray LLP, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036 (Attn: Ryan Preston Dahl and Cristine Pirro Schwarzman, email: ryan.dahl@ropesgray.com and cristine.schwarzman@ropesgray.com); Ropes & Gray LLP, 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60606 (Attn: Stephen L. Iacovo, email: stephen.iacovo@ropesgray.com); and Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, 919 N. Market Street, 17th Floor, Wilmington, Delaware 19801 (Attn: Laura Davis Jones, email: ljones@pszjlaw.com and Timothy P. Cairns, email: tcairns@pszjlaw.com); (iii) the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 N. King Street, Room 2207, Wilmington, Delaware, Attn: Richard L. Schepacarter (richard.schepacarter@usdoj.gov); (iv) counsel to the Prepetition

Agent, Blank Rome LLP, 1201 North Market Street, Suite 800, Wilmington, Delaware 19801; Attn: Regina Stango Kelbon, Esq. (regina.kelbon@blankrome.com); (v) counsel to Crystal Financial LLC d/b/a SLR Credit Solutions, Morgan Lewis & Bockius, LLP, One Federal Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, Attn: Julia Frost-Davies (julia.frost-davies@morganlewis.com); and (vi) proposed counsel to the Committee, McDermott Will & Emery LLP, One Vanderbilt Avenue, New York, New York 10017-3852 (Attn: Kristin Going, email: kgoing@mwe.com and Darren Azman, email: dazman@mwe.com). Any Professional that fails to file a Monthly Fee Application for a particular month or months may subsequently submit a consolidated Monthly Fee Application that includes a request for compensation earned or expenses incurred during previous months. All Monthly Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court. The first Monthly Fee Application submitted by each Professional shall cover the period from the Petition Date through and including **July 31, 2023**.

- b. Each Notice Party will have twenty-one (21) days after service of a Monthly Fee Application (the “Objection Deadline”) to object to the requested fees and expenses in accordance with the procedures described in subparagraph (c) below. Upon the expiration of the Objection Deadline, each Professional may file with the Court a certificate of no objection (a “CNO”), as appropriate, with respect to the unopposed portion of the fees and expenses requested in its Monthly Fee Application. After a CNO is filed, the Debtors are authorized to pay the applicable Professional an amount (the “Actual Monthly Payment”) equal to the lesser of (i) 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses requested in the Monthly Fee Application (the “Maximum Monthly Payment”) or (ii) 80% of the fees and 100% of the expenses not subject to an unresolved objection pursuant to subparagraph (c) below.
- c. If any Notice Party objects to a Professional’s Monthly Fee Application, it must, on or before the expiration of the Objection Deadline, file with the Court and serve on such Professional and each other Notice Party a written objection (an “Objection”) so as to be received on or before the Objection Deadline. Any such Objection shall identify with specificity the objectionable fees and/or expenses, including the amount of such objected to fees and/or expenses, and the basis for such Objection. Thereafter, the objecting party and the affected Professional may attempt to resolve the Objection on a consensual basis. If the parties are unable to reach a resolution within fourteen (14) days after service of the Objection, the affected Professional may either: (i) file a response to

the Objection with the Court, together with a request for payment of the difference, if any, between the Maximum Monthly Payment and the Actual Monthly Payment made to such Professional (the “Incremental Amount”) or (ii) forego payment of the Incremental Amount until the next interim or final fee application hearing, at which time the Court will consider and rule on the Objection if requested by the Professional subject to the Objection.

- d. With respect to the first three-month period from the Petition Date through **September 30, 2023**, and each subsequent three-month period, each Professional may file with the Court and serve on the Notice Parties an application (an “Interim Fee Application”) for interim allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses sought in the Monthly Fee Applications filed during each such three-month period (the “Interim Fee Period”) pursuant to section 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Interim Fee Application must identify the covered Monthly Fee Applications and include any other information requested by the Court or required by the applicable Local Rules. Interim Fee Applications, if any, shall be filed with the Court and served on the Notice Parties within forty-five (45) days after the end of the applicable Interim Fee Period. Each Professional shall file its first Interim Fee Application, if any, on or before **November 14, 2023**. Objections, if any, to the Interim Fee Applications shall be filed and served upon the affected Professional and the Notice Parties so as to be received on or before the twenty-first (21st) day (or the next business day if such day is not a business day) following service of the Interim Fee Application.
- e. If any Interim Fee Applications are filed, the Debtors shall request that the Court schedule a hearing on Interim Fee Applications at least once every three (3) months or at such other intervals as the Court deems appropriate. Upon allowance by the Court of a Professional’s Interim Fee Application, the Debtors shall be authorized to promptly pay such Professional all allowed fees (including the 20% holdback) and allowed expenses not previously paid.
- f. The pendency of an Objection to payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses shall not disqualify a Professional from the future payment of compensation or reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Compensation Procedures.
- g. Neither (i) the payment of or the failure to pay, in whole or in part, compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses under the Compensation Procedures nor (ii) the filing of or the failure to file an Objection to any Monthly Fee Application or Interim Fee Application will bind any party in interest or the Court with respect

to the allowance of interim or final applications for compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses of Professionals. All fees and expenses paid to Professionals in accordance with the Compensation Procedures are subject to disgorgement until final allowance by the Court.

- h. Professionals shall file final applications for compensation and reimbursement (collectively, the “Final Fee Applications”) by such deadline as may be established in a confirmed chapter 11 plan or in an order of the Court. All Final Fee Applications shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and applicable orders of the Court.
- i. Copies of all Monthly Fee Applications, Interim Fee Applications, Final Fee Applications, and notices of any hearings thereon (each, a “Hearing Notice”) must be served upon only the Notice Parties. All other parties who file a request for service of notices pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 shall be entitled to receive only a copy of the Hearing Notice. Notice given in accordance with the Order is deemed sufficient and adequate and in full compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the Local Rules.

3. In each Interim Fee Application and Final Fee Application, all attorneys who have been or are hereafter retained pursuant to sections 327 or 1103 of the Bankruptcy Code, unless such attorney is employed and retained pursuant to the OCP Motion and is not required to file fee applications in accordance with the terms thereof shall (i) apply for compensation for professional services rendered and for reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases in compliance with sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any other applicable procedures and orders of this Court and (ii) make a reasonable effort to comply with the U.S. Trustee’s requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013*.

4. The Debtors shall include all payments made to Professionals in accordance with the Compensation Procedures in its monthly operating reports, identifying the amount paid to each of the Professionals.

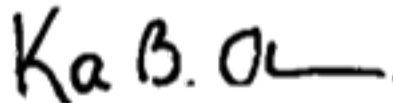
5. Nothing in this Order shall alter the fee application requirements outlined in sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code.

6. All time periods referenced in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

7. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement the relief granted in this Order.

8. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

Dated: August 11th, 2023
Wilmington, Delaware


KAREN B. OWENS
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE